## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION (CINCINNATI)

WILLIE JOHNSON [A405046], : Case No. 1:22-cv-00031

Plaintiff, District Judge Jeffery P. Hopkins

Magistrate Judge Caroline H. Gentry

VS.

WILLIAM COOL, et al.,

Defendants.

## **ORDER**

Plaintiff, a prisoner in state custody at Ross Correctional Institution, is pursuing litigation in this Court. In order to manage the case in a timely and efficient manner (*see* Doc. No. 40), the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge hereby **ORDERS** that mail from this Court addressed to Plaintiff in this case is legal mail under *Sallier v. Brooks*, 343 F.3d 868, 877 (6th Cir. 2003). *See generally Vinson v. Brown*, No. 2:23-cv-80, 2024 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 4128 (S.D. Ohio Jan. 8, 2024) (discussing "legal mail"). The Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction is **ORDERED** to treat this Court's mail to Plaintiff in this case as legal mail regardless of whether it bears a "control number."

The Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to serve this Order on (1) all parties; (2) the Ohio Attorney General's Office at 30 E. Broad Street, 23rd Floor, Columbus, OH 43215; and (3) the Mailroom Supervisor at Ross Correctional Institution.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ Caroline H. Gentry
Caroline H. Gentry
United States Magistrate Judge